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MELLON SAYS NO TREASURY CHANGES DUE

Personnel Will Remain As It Is Now, He Declares.

ENDS CONTROVERSY OF BLAIR AND DOVER

G. O. P. Chiefs Regard Publication of Blacklist As "Unfortunate."

Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon, in a firm statement that the conduct of the Treasury Department in the future would not deviate from that of the past, and that there would be no change in the employment of personnel, brought to an abrupt end the so-called Blair-Dover controversy yesterday.

Unless the matter is reopened by President Harding, who is now in possession of a petition signed by 155 Republican Representatives, approving the Dover plan for the decentralization of certain bureaus of the Treasury, the Blair-Dover matter, which had been hobbling up the government for some time, is settled. Only a breach between Mr. Mellon and Mr. Harding, which is declared unlikely, would result in further action.

The linking of an "unofficial black list" in which the names of alleged Democratic holdovers in the Treasury are set forth as being marked for dismissal in favor of Republicans—with the official publication of the list—last night by Republican Senators and Representatives as an "unfortunate."

List Full of Errors.

This "black list," which is replete with errors—in many instances including the names of ardent Republicans—has been made public as a part of the Congressional petition for "parties unknown." It is stated, Representative James T. Bezz, of Ohio, who presented the official Congressional petition to President Harding yesterday, denied any knowledge of the "black list," and declares that if it was established, as is generally reported, that these lists had been circulated in House of Representatives envelopes bearing his frank, the stationery had been lost.

"The petition which I presented to President Harding was a simple indictment of Dover," Representative Bezz said, "and contained no condemnation of any man nor any list supposed to contain the names of Democrats still in the employ of the Treasury Department."

Lenroot "Depletes" Publication.

Senator Irvine L. Lenroot, Republican, would have been "bad enough to have published such a list had it been accurate, but the fact that it was full of errors made its publication far worse."

"One of the men listed as a Democrat in this 'black list,' J. C. Hall, was for many years my secretary," Senator Lenroot stated, "and a man who has always been a Republican. I have conversed with many Republican Senators on the subject and find most, if not all, have Republican constituents listed as Democrats."

"I cannot imagine what could have prompted the publication of this 'black list' in connection with the petition of the official petition, but I am sure that it has brought about the untimely end of the Blair-Dover affair."

Many members of both Houses of Congress expressed the opinion that any such revelation of the names of alleged Democrats would be neutralized by the unfortunate association of it with the mysterious "black list."

Undersecretary Indignant.

An example of the inaccuracies of the unclaimed "black list" and an indication that it is generally understood that the list was broadcasted by Representative Bezz, is contained in a letter from the Undersecretary of the Treasury, S. P. Gilbert, to the Undersecretary of the Treasury. The letter reads as follows:

"Hon. James T. Bezz, Washington, D. C.

"Sir:

"Through the courtesy of various Republican Senators and Representatives, I have been brought to my attention a statement entitled 'The Treasury Department—Survey of the Personnel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue.' The key positions largely held by officials of a former administration and named and checked from the official records of the department, which is being circulated in envelopes bearing your frank. Item 1 of this statement under the heading 'Personnel of Secretary Mellon's Office' contains the following paragraph:

"1. Mr. Paul Gilbert, active Democratic politician, taking the stump for Gov. Cox in the campaign of 1920. At present holding the position of the Undersecretary of the Treasury."

Even Name Wrong.

"I do not know Mr. Paul Gilbert, but I assume from the context that the item may have reference to me. The statement is of no concern whatever to me, but I should like to state for your own information that if it does refer to me it is absolutely false in every respect. Since you are lending your name to its circulation you may possibly be interested in the facts.

"I am not a Democrat, and not a politician, and have never been active in politics. I did not take the stump in 1920 for Mr. Cox, and had no interest whatever in his campaign. I am a lifelong Republican; have never voted against him; the Republican ticket, and my father was for thirty years one of the most active Republican leaders in the State of New Jersey. I was appointed Assistant Secretary of

Isn't There a Golden Text or Something He Could Teach His Own Boys, Too?—By J. N. Darling.



PRESSURE PLACED ON BONUS BACKERS TO SLOW UP PACE

McCumber No Longer Insists It Must Come Up Next Week.

Compromises have been set before the bi-partisan group in the Senate which refuses to accept the request of President Harding that the McCumber bonus bill be sidetracked until after the tariff is passed.

Through these compromises the administration leaders hope to quell the disturbance which has arisen over the Presidential attempt to speed the tariff and delay the bonus.

Regardless of how successful these compromises may prove when the Republican caucus is held Monday, there will be a determined opposition to shelving the bonus.

Senator McCumber, chairman of the Finance Committee, is known to have receded from his position that the bonus must come before the Senate next week. It is said he was prevailed upon by certain American Legion representatives to submit to a temporary delay.

This may avoid a split of the Republican side, but it does not dispense the group insistent on speedy action on the bonus.

It strengthens the administration group to such an extent, however, that the issue will be postponed indefinitely. The issue will be threshed out in Republican caucus Monday, but it is considered likely the fight will be brought to the Senate floor the early part of next week.

If the administration group musters sufficient strength it means postponement of action until the latter part of August at least.

SOCIALISTS WARN WIRTH AS GERMAN UPRISING NEARS

Monarchist Movement Causing Concern, Having Reached Serious Proportions.

BERLIN, June 16.—Warning against possible attempts by nationalists to overthrow the government were sounded in the Reichstag Friday when Herr Dittmann and members of the independent socialist bloc introduced interpellations regarding Von Hindenburg's visit to East Prussia and the purpose behind it.

Dittmann warned Chancellor Wirth against attempts of the nationalists to overthrow the government but the Reichstag declined to accept the urgency of the interpellation. Government police declare that statements regarding revolutionary activity which have been appearing in the Freie Presse are exaggerated. They are preparing to cope with demonstrations and counter-demonstrations on June 28th the anniversary of the signing of the treaty of Versailles.

The monarchist movement has reached such serious proportions that the newspapers representing

LEADERS WILL ASK CONSENT TO DELAY ON SUBSIDY BILL

Ban on Liquor Refused And Measure Reported Favorably.

Favorable action was taken by the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries on the administration ship subsidy bill yesterday, after rejecting the Bankhead amendment which provided that the benefits of the measure should not apply to vessels on which liquor is sold.

Majority members of the committee filed a report with the House in support of the subsidy bill. Democratic members were given five days in which to present minority views.

Republican leaders of the House held a conference to discuss the program for ship subsidy legislation, but no definite decision was reached. A special rule for the consideration of the bill is being drafted by a subcommittee of the Merchant Marine Committee. The bill may be taken up on the floor of the House next Thursday.

CYCLONE KILLS 20 IN WISCONSIN

GLENWOOD CITY, Wis., June 16.—Twenty persons are believed to have been killed and more than fifty injured in a cyclonic wind and rain storm that swept with terrific force across parts of four Wisconsin counties last night, wiping out at least one village, destroying hundreds of farm buildings and causing great damage to crops.

The cyclone struck in northeast St. Croix County and cut a wide swath in its path north and east through southeast Polk, southwest Barron and northeast Dunn counties. Eighteen persons were reported killed in the vicinity of Prairie Farm, a Barron County village. Ole Saugstad, Mrs. Ole Lee and Paul Shaw were killed when the cyclone razed every building on the Saugstad farm, three miles north of Prairie Farm.

The village of Forest, St. Croix County, was reported wiped out and twenty persons injured, some of them critically.

PLAN TO WIPE OUT SOME NAVY YARDS

Steps to save millions of dollars by abolishing useless navy yards and other land adjuncts of the navy which cannot be efficiently maintained were taken yesterday at a conference of Senator McCormick, Senator Poincaré, acting chairman of the Senate Naval Committee, and Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt.

Following the conference, Senator McCormick announced that he would offer an amendment to the so-called scrapping bill to create a commission to study and recommend ways of getting rid of navy yards and various other shore stations and property in conformity with the naval reduction program.

PARIS DIPS TOE CAUTIOUSLY IN HAGUE WATER

France Still Undecided Whether to Negotiate With Soviet.

PARLEY AWAITING POINCARÉ'S WORD

Adjourns Until Monday. Press Still Protests Secrecy.

THE HAGUE, June 16.—That France enters The Hague conference in an attitude of aloofness was manifested when an attempt was made today to organize the general committee that will negotiate with the Russians.

The question arose as to what powers desired to participate in the work of the general committee. France's delegate, M. Benoit, who is also minister to the Netherlands, indicated that his government is still undecided regarding the matter of negotiating with the Soviets and announced that he would reserve a decision as to joining the general committee until he could communicate with the French foreign office.

Adjourns Until Monday.

As it was not likely that he would receive instructions from the Lloyd George-Poincaré conference to be held in England over the week-end the meeting adjourned until Monday afternoon.

Foreign Minister Van Karnebeek of the Netherlands, who is chairman of the conference, is consulting the various delegations meanwhile regarding the composition of the subcommittees. The Soviets probably will be asked to divide into three subcommittees on debts, credits, and property, to facilitate the negotiations.

The French representative, M. Benoit, emphasized that the committee must confine their work to examining and verifying the facts regarding the Russian situation and that political questions must not be dealt with. He also explained that he understood none of the delegates to the conference was to be binding. The other delegates placed themselves in accord with M. Benoit on these points.

Reporters Again Protest.

After thinking over the question of giving the press a better opportunity to report the proceedings of the conference, the Chamberlain Van Karnebeek finally decided the correspondents might have a room in the basement of the Carnegie Peace Palace, where the delegates are meeting. But he posted guards at the entrance of the room to prevent the reporters going up where the delegates were milling around in the corridors.

This arrangement was not satisfactory to the correspondents, because it gave them no more opportunity than before to talk with the delegates, and a new formal protest was sent to Van Karnebeek.

The general Russian commission probably will include representatives of fifteen of the thirty-odd nations invited to the conference. Thirteen powers will be represented on each of the three subcommittees. The Big Five nations, consisting of the United States, England, France, Italy, and Japan, will be on all commissions. But the other nations will vary with different committees.

MEXICO WILL PAY INTEREST ON DEBT

Partial Payments to Be Resumed on External Obligations.

NEW YORK, June 16.—The Mexican government will resume partial interest payments on its external debt, and other obligations, held outside of Mexico amounting in value to more than \$500,000,000, but all bank interest is to be cancelled under an agreement signed here today between President Obregon and the international bankers' committee, and Adolfo de la Huerta, secretary of the Mexican treasury.

The agreement calls for \$200,000,000 interest payments to be resumed January, 1924, on a partial basis varying in proportion among the different issues, based on the relative values and priorities. Full cash payments will be resumed in 1928.

The special current interest fund will be created from oil export taxes and a surcharge on gross railway receipts.

The railways are to revert to private operation as before the revolution, while the Mexican government will place its indorsement on all of the railway debt not previously guaranteed.

The agreement in effect permits a five-year suspension of sinking fund and other rights after which all contract claims will again be subject to ratification by President Obregon.

CONFEREES AGREE ON 125,000 ARMY

House and Senate conferees have decided that the army shall number 125,000 men, a compromise between the House figure of 115,000 and the Senate figure of 135,000.

The compromise strength fixed probably will prove satisfactory to the President, it is said.

Additional Sumner Train to Strasburg, Pa. Saturday only; Lv. Washington 1:45 P. M. Beginning June 17th. Southern Ry. system.—Adv.

Coal Reserves Dwindle; Shortage Expected in July

Industry May Soon Feel Pinch of Small Supply—Operators Consider Attempt to Reopen More Mines.

CHICAGO, June 16.—Industry will begin to feel the pinch of a coal shortage early in July, according to the best authorities here. One railroad headquarters in Chicago has already had its reserve reduced to twenty-three day's supply.

To meet this emergency, according to reports prevalent in Chicago, a determined effort will be made in the near future to reopen enough mines in Pennsylvania district to increase the present output of non-union coal about 20 per cent. The production already has been brought from a level slightly in excess of 40,000,000 tons to one slightly below the 5,000,000 mark.

The rapid revival of industry, statistics indicate, has created a consumption of about 4,500,000 tons a week—a demand which is drawing upon the nation's reserves at the rate of 3,500,000 tons weekly. The coal in storage is now down to about 40,000,000 tons, much of which is being held by public utilities that got a large reserve before the strike was called. A large part of this reserve, therefore, will not be available for general purchase. The reserves are likely to be still further diminished immediately after July 1 when the reduced freight rates go into effect. Many purchasing agents have kept out of the market until last time, their plans being to take advantage of the freight saving.

SECRETARY WEEKS SCORED FOR TALK AGAINST CONGRESS

G. O. P. Member Says His Own Defeat Is Reason.

MELLON ASSAILED

Caraway Predicts Withdrawal Of Treasury Head as Result of Row.

The House-Treasury row came in for Senator Caraway's scathing attack yesterday. He scored Secretary Weeks for his "unavoidable withdrawal" of Secretary Mellon. "He is now in a life and death struggle with his assistant, Elmer Dyer, and it seems that the President has decided in favor of Dyer," Caraway declared.

The President, however, made it clear to callers yesterday that he intended to maintain a hands-off policy both as regards the Treasury row and the criticism of Secretary Weeks' speech.

Senator Norris, Republican of Nebraska, and Representative Chandler, Republican of Kansas, nevertheless sharply criticized Secretary Weeks from the floor, and Norris intimated President Harding in his criticism.

"Such action as repeal of the direct primaries," he said, "would result in retraction of every semblance of democracy in our form of government."

Mondell took particular exception to Weeks' remark regarding "the low ebb reached by Congress."

"He does not speak for the Republican party," Mondell declared. "He voices his own personal views only. I may say that during twenty-five years in Congress I have never seen a better balanced personnel—even when Mr. Weeks himself was member of it."

Together called attention to what Congress had decreed that Senators be elected by direct vote. Mr. Weeks a candidate for the Senate in the 1918 elections, "was about the only man I know of who was a Republican ticket who succeeded in being defeated. No wonder he has lost confidence in the ability of the American people to govern themselves."

WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE IN COURT

NEW YORK, June 16.—Mrs. Bertha W. Vardman, sentenced today to three years for receiving stolen property, attempted to commit suicide in the courtroom. When sentence was pronounced by Justice Martin, Mrs. Vardman fainted. She recovered, and cried: "I will never live to begin that sentence."

Justice Martin sentenced her husband, John W. Vardman, and Arthur F. Chase to Sing Sing for not less than four years nor more than eight for the theft of \$500,000 bonds from the Chase National Bank.

The case was reported when the results were announced from the National University. Two official pro-treaty members were chosen, one anti-treaty and one independent pro-treaty candidate. As this was announced, fifteen armed youths entered the university grounds, held up election officials and seized the ballot boxes.

ARMED MEN RAID BALLOT BOXES AS IRELAND VOTES

Many Women Vote in Dublin and Cork, Most Favoring Pro-Treaty Candidates.

DUBLIN, June 16.—Election disorders attended the selection of a new Irish parliament in some sections of Ireland, although during most of the day there were no signs of trouble.

The first trouble reported was when the results were announced from the National University. Two official pro-treaty members were chosen, one anti-treaty and one independent pro-treaty candidate. As this was announced, fifteen armed youths entered the university grounds, held up election officials and seized the ballot boxes.

Officials Held.

Gen. Rory O'Connor, extremist leader, was in command of the raiding party. It is reported. Some insurgent officers of the highest rank were in the crowd.

Instances of interference were reported from Sligo. At East Mayo two independents, working as election agents, kidnapped some Pro-Treaty candidates and warned them not to vote under penalty of reprisals. Armed bands held up election officials at Waterford, but finally yielded to protests and allowed their captives to proceed.

Women Vote Early.

Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail Eireann, telegraphed that such disturbances as these would result in invalidating the elections if they continued. De Valera has cancelled his proposed speechmaking trip through Scotland.

A heavy vote was registered here and at Cork, and women voted early and in large numbers, a large proportion of them favoring pro-treaty candidates. Nearly 80 per cent of the vote was polled in Dublin.

208,500 CLERKS HIT IN ANOTHER RAIL PAY CUT

Slash of \$26,500,000 Also Includes Many Station Employees.

TOTAL REDUCTIONS NOW \$134,988,900

Becoming Operative Next July 1, They Affect 1,250,000 Workers.

CHICAGO, June 16.—A cut of \$26,500,000 a year in the pay of some 320,000 rail workers, the great bulk of them in the clerical and station forces, was announced late today by the United States Railroad Labor Board. The reductions range from 2 cents to 6 cents an hour, nearly two-thirds of the men affected being chopped 3 cents.

The finding reduces the pay of 208,500 clerks and station employees 3 cents an hour; 76,000 others, 4 cents an hour; 10,000 signalmen, 5 cents an hour; 9,500 stationary firemen, engineers and oilers, 2 cents an hour, and 2,000 helpers in the signal department, 6 cents an hour.

Train dispatchers and supervisory forces, as forecast, are not touched. The slash, which is the third in a series of three, like the others, goes into effect July 1.

Total Cut Now \$134,988,900.

All told, the aggregate reductions in pay which become operative July 1 amount to \$134,988,900 a year. They affect about 1,250,000 workers, under normal conditions of employment.

As tabulated by the board's experts the cuts made by the series of wage reductions on orders are:

Clerical and station forces \$24,336,317
Stationary engine boiler room..... \$51,554
Signal department..... \$1,322,428
Maintenance of way..... \$4,988,872
Shop employees..... \$9,669,317
Total \$134,988,919

All union organizations embraced in the cuts are taking a strike ballot returnable June 25. Union chiefs declare that indications are that the men will vote to place with their leaders full authority to call a strike. This is the usual course, it is by no means a new thing, an actual walkout, as for example, the threatened rail strike of last year. For the first time in this series of wage chops the majority of the board's companies the reductions in the transportation world and of the general economic factors impelling them to carve the pay envelopes.

Living Wage? Recognized.

Definite recognition of the living wage saving was given in the decision. The board says that under the abnormal conditions of the slump and recovery period it has been impossible to deal with the problem of the "undisturbed" fashion possible in normal times. As soon as business better drives out the "abnormalities" of this class loss, the board declares it will be possible to give "increased consideration to all the intricate details incident to the adjustment of the living and saving."

The split in the board is still widening. The majority decision was signed by the public and railroad groups. A dissenting opinion, signed by Arthur O. Wharton and Albert Phillips, labor members, W. L. McMenimen, the third labor member, is absent from the city.

The dissenters declare "cost of living is brushed aside" by the majority, which thus "denies the validity" of a specific provision of the railroad act. A rejoinder is being prepared by the majority. It is expected to be ready for issuance late tomorrow.

Declared "Spasmodic Release."

In today's opinion the majority, referring to the charges of the minority that the board has not given "full consideration" to the evidence, says, "such utterances are merely a spasmodic release into the 'old system of bluff and bluster' that entered so largely into the adjustment of this class loss. The same holds true of the supervisory forces of the signal department. The case of the telegraphers is not touched upon; due to complex local situations prolonged discussion will be necessary."

The board says reductions for the 200,000 in the clerical forces are lighter than for some other classes, because this class lost heavily through changes in rules and because they have not been paid as well as others.

COURT REBUKES AND JAILS WARD

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., June 16.—Recommitted to jail, formally arraigned for murder, his petitions for the advantage of an early trial dismissed in favor of those of an obscure jailmate, Walter S. Ward, confessed slayer of Clarence Peters, sat tonight on the edge of his prison cell.

All Ward and his counsel gained when they entered the plea of not guilty this morning and then made a number of motions to obtain the advantage of an early trial was a denunciation from the bench.

The bringing of formal charges of conspiracy to hamper District Attorney Weeks' investigation of Ward's guilt against his father and others of the family was postponed today to Monday.